



Mike Melton of United Systems and
Dale Stein of TAG

United Systems Receives Telecommunication Industry's Top Award

*Technology Assurance Group (TAG)
Showcases United Systems as a Top
Telecommunication Company at its
2008 National Convention*

QUINCY, IL — March 31, 2008 — United Systems, a leading telecommunications provider, announced today that the company received one of Technology Assurance Group's top telecommunications awards at the association's 2008 National Convention held in San Diego in March. Technology Assurance Group (TAG), a national organization of independently owned telecommunication companies, selected United Systems as the winner of the "Chairman's Gold Circle Award" for exceptional economic performance and superior customer satisfaction. United Systems was highlighted as one of the nation's leading telecommunications companies during a special awards ceremony.

The prestigious awards, which are given out annually, are based on overall financial performance, customer satisfaction, and the ability to provide customers with cost effective telecommunications solutions. "In 2007, United Systems outperformed and surpassed many of the best companies in the business," said Dale Johnson, president of Technology Assurance Group. "United Systems's customer oriented focus fueled the company's overall success. Throughout the year they provided their customers with state-of-the-art technology giving businesses of all sizes a competitive advantage and

improved profitability. United Systems is one of TAG's premier members and we were proud to showcase such a fine organization at our national convention."

Mike Melton, President of United Systems, accepted the award for the company. "We're extremely proud of this accomplishment, because we were able to succeed, in a very competitive industry," said Mr. Melton. "We attribute much of our success to the many benefits that we receive from our membership in TAG. The organization has been a refreshing approach to learning better business practices. TAG gives us support, focus and an outline to follow in order for us to build a better business. United Systems is also very fortunate to have a team of dedicated professionals that are willing to implement new strategies. This process has not only benefited us, but our customers also experienced improved results in their businesses as well."

United Systems offers businesses a variety of communication solutions including telephone systems, local/long distance service, Internet connectivity, web conferencing, teleconferencing, call accounting, and Voice over IP (VoIP). The company's mission is to serve the business community with tools that make organizations run more efficiently, increase their profitability and give them a competitive edge in their marketplace.

ABOUT UNITED SYSTEMS

Founded in 1986, United Systems, Inc. is committed to establishing and maintaining a dynamic partnership with every customer. Extensive technology

and service experience allows the United Systems, Inc. team to develop an understanding of each customer's unique requirements, and to respond to those requirements quickly and effectively.

Our mission is that we are in business to serve every customer in the tri-state area with priority service. Our goal is to make their businesses profitable and provide a competitive edge with the use of technology and services.

For more information on United Systems, Inc., call (217) 228-0315 or visit www.4unitedsystems.com.

ABOUT TECHNOLOGY ASSURANCE GROUP (TAG)

Technology Assurance Group, LLC (TAG) is a national organization of leading independently owned telecommunications companies. TAG provides its members with the competitive advantages necessary to achieve a dominant position in their marketplace. Members benefit from programs including strategic partnerships with communication solution providers, best business and management practices, and advanced sales training programs. TAG's mission is to leverage its members' combined economic power, to increase their sales and profit margins, and to bring advanced technology to the marketplace. For more information on TAG, please call 858-673-5800 or visit www.tagnational.com.